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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of September 23, 2004:

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Applicant hereby elects Group I, Claims 1-12, for further prosecution in the present application. This election is made without traverse, and in view of the Examiner's statements in the Restriction Requirement that the inventions of the Groups are related as combination and subcombination and are distinct because (1) the combination as claimed does not require the